



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

WHEREAS, Lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer death in both men and women in the United States, Idaho and the world, this year taking the lives of approximately 163,510 Americans, including 600 Idahoans, which is more than that lost to breast, prostate, and colon cancer combined; and

WHEREAS, approximately 172,570 Americans and 630 Idahoans will be diagnosed with lung cancer in 2005, most at an advanced stage due to the lack of standardized screening for early detection and a failure to recognize possible early symptoms; and

WHEREAS, although there is a strong link between tobacco and lung cancer, the majority of new cases each year are in former smokers or persons who have never smoked, indicating the need for further research of lung cancer in order to more fully understand the entire disease process; and

WHEREAS, there is currently no standard screening for lung cancer, and funding for lung cancer medical research falls far short of that for other less fatal diseases; and

WHEREAS, the Lung Cancer Alliance is dedicated to informing and advocating for people living with lung cancer or at risk for the disease;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim the month of November 2005, to be

LUNG CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

in Idaho.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this thirty-first day of October in the year of our Lord two-thousand and five and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirtieth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred sixteenth.

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DIRK KEMPTHORNE
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature of Ben Ysursa in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

BEN YSURSA
SECRETARY OF STATE